Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

North St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation District FY05 EQIP

- 1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:
 - Landowners actively implementing a certified Forest Stewardship Plan
 - Planting of native tree species not in short rotation.
- 2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:
 - DNR Designated Management Areas, Sharptail Habitat, practices 643 and 338, early successional habitat development/prescribed burning.***
 - B1 and B2 practices within 1000 feet of DNR protected waters.***

3. Prioritize and weight each local resource concern for the district. Weight must be between 1 and 10:

| Factor | Resource Priority | Weight |
|------------------------|----------------------|--------|
| A1. Erosion Control | Medium | 6 |
| A2. Gully Control | High | 9 |
| B1. Water Resource | High | 10 |
| B2. Wastewater/CNMP | High | 9 |
| C. Habitat Improvement | Medium | 8 |
| D. Air Quality | Low | 2 |
| E. Impaired Water | Low | 2 |
| F. Distance | Low | 2 |
| G. Grazing System | Medium | 8 |
| H. Forest Mgt. | High | 9 |
| Additional Local* | High | 10 |

- * If the additional local concern is scored, describe the concern here and how points will be scored. Include any geographic priorities. Points will be scored for local concerns if specified items are implemented. (Item 1 and 2).
- **4.** Attach the scoring worksheet as recommended for the district. **Scoring worksheet as issued by NRCS state office with priority factors added.**
- 5. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation Practice Payment Document. **None.**

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 05 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

^{***} Reference specific location maps in Virginia Service Center.

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